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C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>  $\alpha$ -Olefins )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to fee calculation and examination please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 2-12.

Please add the following new claims.

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- -13. The copolymer as claimed in claim 1, wherein said density is from 0.88 to 0.93 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.
14. The copolymer as claimed in claim 1, wherein said comonomer composition distribution breadth index is above 90%.
15. The copolymer as claimed in claim 1, wherein said  $\alpha$ -olefins are selected from the group consisting of propene, 1-butene, 1-hexene and 1-octene.